

# Model United Nations

Hangzhou International School

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  - You have the chance to make new friends.
  - We travel a couple of times every year.
- It's creative!
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- It's fun!
- It's creative!
  - You make your own solutions to world problems.
  - It's a skit without a script.
- It's rewarding!

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- It's fun!
- It's creative!
- It's rewarding!
  - You learn about real-world issues.
  - You learn how to speak in front of large crowds.
  - There are many chances to become a leader.

# In Model UN, you learn about

- A new country
- A new issue
- The United Nations

These are the subjects you will talk about at a conference.

# In Model UN, you learn about

- A new country
  - Every person represents a country at the conference.
  - You study your country's geography, history, economy, and politics.
- A new issue
- The United Nations

# In Model UN, you learn about

- A new country
- A new issue
  - Conference leaders pick the real-world issues.
  - You study the issues (3 or 4) of your choice.
  - You try to discover and imagine how your country would work with others to solve the problem.
- The United Nations



# In Model UN, you learn about

- A new country
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  - What can it do?
  - What has it done in the past?
  - How will the UN solve the problems of today?

# In Model UN, you practice

- Speech making
- Negotiating
- Debating

These are the skills you need to be successful at a conference.

# The United Nations

- Conflict Resolution
  - “We the peoples of the United Nations (are) determined to save succeeding generations from the scourge of war, which twice in our lifetime has brought untold sorrow to mankind.”
  - The Preamble to the United Nations Charter

# The United Nations

- Conflict Resolution
- Human Rights
  - In the UN, countries discuss what humans deserve and try to live up to these standards.
  - In 1948, the UN produced the Universal Declaration of Human Rights.

# The United Nations

- Conflict Resolution
- Human Rights
- Development
  - People all over the world are in need of help.
  - People's lives can be improved through improved access to food and water, better education, and access to healthcare.
  - These problems can be solved without destroying the earth.

# The United Nations

- Conflict Resolution
- Human Rights
- Development

More information about these themes will be presented to you in the club meetings.

# Learn about MUN online!

- The UN's own cyber schoolbus  
[www.un.org/Pubs/CyberSchoolBus/](http://www.un.org/Pubs/CyberSchoolBus/)
- The United Nations Association of the USA has a whole section devoted to MUN.

[www.unausa.org](http://www.unausa.org) follow the “Educates” link